

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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**GROUP ART UNIT: 1742** 

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: EXAMINER: OLTMANS, A.

FOR: COATING METHOD BY

INTERMETALLIC COMPOUND

## AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 02, 2002, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-12, for further prosecution.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy to read as follows:

10. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first substance is in powdery/form or molten form and contains a/powdery or fibrous ceramic constituted of an oxide, carbide, nitride or boride of at least/one metal selected from the group consisting of aluminum, yttrium, titanium, zirconium, hafnium and silicon.

14. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the first substance is in powdery form or molten form and contains a powdery or fibrous ceramic constituted of an oxide, carbide, nitride or boride of at least one metal selected from the group consisting of aluminum, yttrium, titanium, zirconium, hafnium and silicon.

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